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IN RE APPLICATION OF
LEONHARD FEILER ET AL
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 16, 2002, the following remarks are respectfully submitted for entry and consideration. The Action set a three month shortened statutory period for reply. A petition for a three month extension of time is attached herewith, extending the period for response to April 16, 2003. This reply is timely filed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.